

of Burundi, Princeton Nathan Lyman, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, Richard L. Morningstar, of Massachusetts, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Advisor to the President and to the Secretary of State on Assistance to the New Independent States of the Former Soviet Union and Coordinator of NIS Assistance, Day Olin Mount, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iceland, Dane Farnsworth Smith, Jr., of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal, George F. Ward, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia, and Sharon P. Wilkinson, of New York, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Eric L. Clay, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, Charles N. Clevert, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Nanette K. Laughrey, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western

Districts of Missouri, Donald W. Molloy, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana, and Susan Oki Mollway, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii;

S. 1624, to permanently authorize funds for programs of the Hate Crime Statistics Act of 1990;

S. 1090, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the Freedom of Information Act), to provide for public access to information in an electronic format, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 966, for the relief of Nathan C. Vance; and

S. Res. 217, to designate the first Friday in May 1996, as "American Foreign Service Day" in recognition of the men and women who have served or are presently serving in the American Foreign Service, and to honor those in the American Foreign Service who have given their lives in the line of duty.

WHITEWATER

Special Committee to Investigate the Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters: Committee resumed hearings to examine certain issues relative to the Whitewater Development Corporation, receiving testimony from Betsy Wright, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 3320–3347; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 414 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget (H. Rept. 104–537);

H. Res. 415, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill, H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget (H. Rept. 104–538);

Supplemental report on H.R. 2406, to repeal the United States Housing Act of 1937, deregulate the public housing program and the program for rental housing assistance for low-income families, and increase community control over such programs (H. Rept. 104–461, part 2); and

H.R. 1663, to amend the Waste Isolation Pilot Land Withdrawal Act, amended (H. Rept. 104–540, Part 1).

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Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 338 yeas to 56 nays, Roll No. 132, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, April 24.

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Member Sworn: Representative-elect Cummings presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the oath of office by the Speaker.

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Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Waters wherein she resigns from the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

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Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 412, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives.

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Waiving requirement of the Committee on Rules: By a recorded vote of 286 yeas to 135 noes, Roll No. 134, the House agreed to H. Res. 412, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules. Agreed to order the previous question on the resolution by a yea-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 200 nays, Roll No. 133.

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Omnibus Appropriations Act of 1996: By a ye-and-nay vote of 399 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 135, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget.

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Rejected the Yates motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference.

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H. Res. 415, the rule which waived all points of order against consideration of the conference report, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Legislative Program: The Chief Deputy Majority Whip announced the legislative program for the week of April 29. Agreed to adjourn from Thursday to Monday.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourns to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30, for morning hour debates.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of May 1.

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Housing Act: It was made in order that H. Rept. 104–461, filed on February 1, 1996, be amended to include Congressional Budget Office cost estimates for H.R. 2406, to repeal the United States Housing Act of 1937, deregulate the public housing program and the program for rental housing assistance for low-income families, and increase community control over such programs.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:15 p.m. and reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3821–22, H3837, H3837–38, and H4101. There were no quorum calls.

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H3822 and H4104.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND THE JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary held a hearing on the Federal Maritime Commission and Maritime Administration; the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; the Commerce Department Inspector General and Commerce Department Under Secretary for Technology; the National Institute of Standards

and Technology; and the Patent and Trademark Office. Testimony was heard from Harold J. Creel, Jr., Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission; Albert J. Herberger, Administrator, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation; Gilbert F. Casellas, Chairman, EEOC; and the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Frank DeGeorge, Inspector General; Mary Good, Under Secretary, Technology; Arati Prabhaker, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and Bruce Lehman, Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Secretary of Energy and on the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Hazel R. O'Leary, Secretary of Energy; and the following officials of the USDA: James Lyons, Under Secretary; and Jack Thomas, Chief, Forest Service.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, the National Institution of General Medical Sciences, Buildings and Facilities, and on the Office of the Director. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Duane Alexander, M.D., Director, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Marvin Cassman, M.D., Acting Director, National Institute of General Medicine Sciences; Stephen A. Ficca, Associate Director, Research Services, NIH; and Ruth Kirschstein, Deputy Director, NIH.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government held a hearing on the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Operations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: James E. Johnson, Assistant Secretary, Treasury Law Enforcement; and John Magaw, Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms; and Norman J.